

# LEADER Thematic Lab 'Youth and Depopulation'

## Agenda

20 February 2020

Rue de la Loi 38 (2nd floor), offices of Fundación Galicia Europa,  
Brussels, Belgium

Timing	Agenda item
08:45-09:15	<b>Registration</b>
09:15-10:45	<p><b>Opening plenary – setting the scene</b></p> <p>Welcome, “zooming in”, introduction to the day (ENRD CP) Key considerations from the Commission perspective (DG AGRI) Good practices and lessons learnt through LEADER (LAGs from different EU Member States)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Youth initiatives in a remote rural area in Finland (Anni-Mari Isoherranen, LAG Keskipiste, Finland)</li> <li>- Youth action and youth mentoring for adult decision-makers in Germany (Matthias Wagner, LAG Leipziger Muldenland)</li> <li>- Addressing depopulation in rural Spain – the Pueblos Vivos project (Paloma Fabregas, Centro de Desarrollo del Somontano)</li> <li>- Depopulation, demography and the local development strategy (Christine Sitter, LAG Nockregion-Oberkärnten)</li> </ul> <p>Q&amp;A</p>
10:45-11:15	<b>Coffee</b>
11:15-12:15	<p><b>Thematic Lab discussion sessions – Round 1</b></p> <p><i>Identification of key issues and success factors for LEADER / LAG responses to youth and depopulation challenges</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Introduction to the group discussion</li> <li>- Identifying current issues and key common elements of the solutions for addressing youth and depopulation challenges. Discussion.</li> <li>- Summing up</li> </ul>

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12:15-13:30	<b>Lunch</b>
13:30-15:00	<b>Thematic Lab discussion sessions – Round 2</b> <i>Success factors for the next programming period</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Introduction to the group discussions</li> <li>- Success factors in a LEADER delivery framework that is favourable to providing effective LEADER/LAG responses to challenges related to youth and depopulation and how these can be ‘transferred’ into the CAP Strategic Plans/LEADER delivery systems, and actions at the level of the LAGs and networks</li> <li>- Summing up</li> </ul>
15:00-15:30	<b>Coffee</b>
15:30-16:30	<b>Closing plenary</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Summaries and reflections on the group work</li> <li>- Discussion (including communication of LEADER / LAG work with youth and depopulation challenges - key questions: “What are the key messages?” “How can these be communicated?” “By whom?” “Who are the main target groups?”)</li> <li>- Next steps – follow-up to the Thematic Lab. Other LEADER activities. Upcoming Thematic Labs.</li> </ul>